



# AGS Weekly

Allerton Grange School Weekly Newsletter



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

4 - 18 April - **Easter Holiday**

19 April - **Summer Term starts**

21 April - **Battle of the Bands Audition (M001)**

25/26 April - **DTP Vaccinations**  
Year 9 - consent required

2 May - **Bank Holiday**

### Attendance

**Are you ensuring your child attends school every day and on time?**

AGS Attendance this week: 88.8%

National Average: 87.4%

### ClassCharts

**Are you a regular user of ClassCharts?  
Are you tracking your child's achievements and behaviour in school?**

**This week:**

**Positive points issued = 10,000**

**Negative points issued = 1,200**

**88% positive ratio**

### End of term message:

Thank you to all of our school community for their support this term. Despite all the challenges we have faced, particularly over staffing absences, we have managed to remain fully open every day, ensuring full coverage of our curriculum. It has been a pleasure this week to visit our reward assemblies and celebrate with our year groups their fantastic achievements – congratulations to all our award winners. (see the full list of awards on the back sheet of this newsletter).

I hope all of our families can take time to enjoy the holidays over the next 2 weeks – please stay safe and healthy (**remember school re-opens on Tuesday 19th April**).

### Class Charts:

It is so important that our students and parents regularly access their Class Charts accounts to check on homework and collect key messages.

Our most recent analysis has shown that:

- 63% of students access their Class Charts account daily.
- 88% of students access their accounts every week.
- Only 3% of students have never accessed their accounts.
- Over 50% of parents access their child's account every month.
- However, 25% of parents have never accessed their child's account. If you are experiencing difficulties in accessing your account then please contact school and we can help.

### Reminder:

1. Our new detention system that was published to all parents this month will begin from Tuesday 19th April.
2. The pedestrian access on Lidgett Lane will be closed permanently from Tuesday 19th April. The only access from Lidgett Lane will be via the service road to the turning circle, adjacent to Allerton Grange fields.

### Congratulations to Miss Spencer-Matthews:

We are so proud to share with you that Miss Spencer-Matthews (one of Drama teachers) has been awarded the prestigious Blair Peach award by the National Education Union for 2022. The Blair Peach Award is given to an NEU member who has made an exemplary contribution to their school or union branch's work, in any area of equality and diversity. This award is in recognition for her humanitarian work with Care4Calais. I am sure she and her family will enjoy the award ceremony later this month.

**Mike Roper**  
Headteacher

## Dragon's Den

A group of Year 9 students took part in a 'Dragon's Den' session this week. Each group developed a product designed to address a gap in the market and they pitched their ideas to the "dragons". The students presented confidently and passionately, and the two winning teams took home a £10 voucher each. The employer who hosted the workshop was blown away by the ideas and creativity of the students.

The winning products were a **City arrival pack for refugees** which would include maps, bus timetables and a bus pass. The second winning product was a **reusable drinking bottle** that would come with pouches that would add flavour and energy to the water.



## Academic Vocabulary

'Words Matter' is a programme designed to improve literacy levels in KS3. Students need to learn these words to be able to fully access the curriculum, examinations, and a wide range of academic texts.

### Science vocabulary words include:

**Atom** - The smallest particle of an element that can exist.

**Molecules** - Two to thousands of atoms joined together. Most non-metals exist either as small or giant molecules.

**Compound** - Pure substances made up of two or more elements strongly joined together.

**Chemical reaction** - A change in which a new substance is formed.

## Sixth Form Enrichment

As part of a series of sessions preparing students for living independently, all Year 13 form groups will be having a 'Cooking on a Budget' session. On Wednesday, students followed a recipe and learnt how to make risotto.

Thank you to Ms Harman and the Food Technology Team for their help with this, and to Sixth Form Form Tutors!



**At Hot Chocolate Friday on 1 April, students celebrated their achievements with Mr Roper.**

**Layla in Year 7** has been supportive and kind towards other students. This has been a big step for her.

**Mae in Year 8** was nominated by the Year Team for her performance in Macbeth at Leeds Playhouse.

**Saira in Year 9** was nominated by Miss Barlow for her exceptional work in RS.

**Leo in Year 10** was nominated by Ms MacFadyen for his respect and kindness towards other pupils in PE.

**Imran in Year 11** has been so much more focused and engaged with his studies lately. His Technology teacher is impressed and he is on his way to achieving a very good grade.

**Scott in Year 12** has 94% attendance, an exemplary behaviour record and brilliant feedback from staff. He has recently played in an international tennis event at Loughborough University and beat people ranked much higher than him. Scott has really high aspirations to go into medicine and is well on his way to making this happen.

**Holly in Year 13** has 95% attendance, an amazing behaviour record and phenomenal attitude to learning. Holly has worked tirelessly throughout Y13 and has put herself in an amazing position for the exams through her relentless hard work. Well done and keep going, the end is in sight!



# Sports Fixtures

## Badminton:

Our Badminton teams played away at the Grammar School at Leeds (GSAL) on Wednesday 30 March.

The Year 7 team lost 5-3,

The Year 8 and 9 team beat GSAL B 5-3 and lost 7-1 to GSAL A.

The Key Stage 4 team beat GSAL B 6-2 and drew with GSAL A 4-4. This means they have gone the whole season undefeated! Congratulations!

## Football:

There have been mixed results from our Football teams this week. Well done to everyone who represented the school, faced challenging weather conditions, and in some cases, without their usual teams!

Our Year 9 boys' Football team beat Crawshaw 6-0 on Monday to move into the Leeds Cup semi-final.

The Year 8 girls' Football team lost 3-1 to Abbey Grange.

The Year 10 boys' Football team was missing ten players due to the Duke of Edinburgh expedition! The team lost 3-1 to Temple Moor.

The Year 8 boys' Football team (not missing any players due to the Duke of Edinburgh expedition!) also lost to Temple Moor!

## Moor Allerton Hall Has Talent!

This week Moor Allerton Hall Primary School held their much-anticipated talent show at Allerton Grange. It was lovely to be able to welcome our neighbours back into school for such a spectacular showcase. Students performed dances, songs, poems, beatbox, sketches and more! It was such an enjoyable evening. Congratulations to the winners: Ci'Maya (1st place) for her amazing singing; Amanpreet (2nd place) for her spellbinding dancing; and Holly (3rd place) for her performance of the Horrible Histories Kings and Queens of England song.



## Trips and Clubs

### Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Our last two groups went on their expedition this week. 130 students have now completed this part of their Bronze Award.

If you would like to find out more about taking part, please speak to Mr Morgan or email [dofe@allertongrange.com](mailto:dofe@allertongrange.com)



### Inspiring the next generation of Neuroscientists

On Wednesday 30 March, Professor Deuchars and colleagues from the University of Leeds spoke to a group of students from Years 9, 10 and 12 about opportunities in Neuroscience and Physiology.

We are collaborating on an 'Aspiring Black Students' initiative and aim to extend this project to include more students in the near future. For more information, please speak to Ms Gonzales.



## Reward Assemblies

This week students have been attending Reward assemblies and have been recognised for their hard work this term.

Congratulations to all of the winners!

### Year 7

#### Student of the Form Awards:

Zanouba 7ag1	Nicholas S 7ag2	Melissa 7ag3
Catherine 7ag4	Manroop 7ag5	Samad 7ag6
Asmaara 7ag7	Daisy 7ag8	Ismaael 7ag9
William 7ag10		

#### Year Team Award:

Fatima 7ag2

#### Lead Learner Award:

Lilly 7ag1

#### Subject Awards:

<b>PE</b>	Kenza & Tom	<b>Maths</b>	Mala
<b>English</b>	Neath	<b>Physics</b>	Sienna
<b>Chemistry</b>	Anoushka	<b>Biology</b>	Alex
<b>Geography</b>	Lucas	<b>RS</b>	Henry
<b>History</b>	Antonina	<b>Music</b>	Asmaara
<b>French</b>	Marianne	<b>German</b>	Antonina
<b>Spanish</b>	Hussain	<b>Classics</b>	Charlie
<b>Drama</b>	Lexi	<b>PSHE</b>	Robert

#### KS3 High Achievers:

Maddison 7ag6	Armaan 7ag8	Leo 7ag3
Ethan 7ag4	Nicholas K 7ag6	

#### Highest Form Achievement Points:

7ag4 5507 points

#### Highest Form Attendance:

7ag10 95.75%

#### Respect and Kindness:

Daisy 7ag8	Mila 7ag8	Morgan 7ag1
Ella 7ag6	Seth 7ag8	

### Year 8

#### Student of the Form Awards:

Max 8ag1	Paige 8ag2	Oti 8ag3
Tamare 8ag4	Ellie 8ag5	Jessica 8ag6
Erin 8ag7	Salma 8ag8	Mia 8ag9
Neha 8ag10		

#### Subject Awards:

<b>PE</b>	Freddie & Jessica	<b>Maths</b>	Zaynab
<b>English</b>	Monty	<b>Physics</b>	Izabella
<b>Chemistry</b>	Akshay	<b>Biology</b>	Amaya
<b>Geography</b>	Evie	<b>RS</b>	Lewis
<b>History</b>	Kelvin	<b>Music</b>	Jensen
<b>French</b>	Eliza	<b>German</b>	Ben
<b>Spanish</b>	Lucy	<b>Drama</b>	Joshua
<b>Tech</b>	Tanyarat	<b>PSHE</b>	Reuben
<b>Reading</b>	Sukleen	<b>Art</b>	Lizzie

#### Highest Form Achievement Points:

8ag1 2073 points

#### Highest Form Attendance:

8ag7 96.93%

#### Respect and Kindness:

Isobel

#### Star of the Term:

Ana

### Year 9

#### Form Awards:

Sumaya 9ag1	Finley 9ag2	Zara 9ag3
Tilly 9ag4	Ayman 9ag5	Lucy 9ag6
Zahra 9ag7	Amna 9ag8	Sienna 9ag9

#### Lead Learner Award:

Najia 9ag7

#### Year Team Award:

Daniela 9ag

#### KS3 High Achievers:

Parth	Abida	Ishmael
Saira	Alfie	

#### Highest Form Achievement Points:

9ag3 4766 points

#### Respect and Kindness:

Samiyah	Huriyah	Rahil
Ayla	Ned	

#### Highest Form Attendance:

9ag5 91.42%

#### Subject Awards:

<b>PE</b>	Hannah & Gopal	<b>Maths</b>	Charlie
<b>English</b>	Daniel	<b>Physics</b>	Jasmin
<b>Chemistry</b>	Ashlee	<b>Biology</b>	Hafiza
<b>Geography</b>	Tia	<b>RS</b>	Grace
<b>History</b>	Lucy	<b>Music</b>	Archie
<b>French</b>	Ibrahim	<b>German</b>	Lucie
<b>Spanish</b>	Aliyah	<b>Drama</b>	Charlotte
<b>PSHE</b>	Will		